IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

SUBMISSION OF DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.131 IN RESPONSE TO THE DECEMBER 16, 2008 OFFICE ACTION

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Applicants herewith respond to the December 16, 2008 Office Action as follows.